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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Sir:

Transmitted herewith are the following documents:

- [X] Preliminary Amendment
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If the enclosed papers are considered incomplete, the Mail Room and/or the Application Branch is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned at (617) 720-3500, Boston, Massachusetts.

No fee is believed due. If a fee is occasioned or if extensions of time are necessary, please charge the balance to the account of the undersigned, Deposit Account No. 23/2825. A duplicate of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Just prior to the "background of the invention", please insert the following new paragraph:

a, -- This invention was sponsored by NSF Grant Nos. PHY-9312572, DMR-9809363, ECS-9729405 and AFOSR/SPAWAR Grant No. N66001-98-1-8915.
The government has certain rights in the invention. --

REMARKS

This is a preliminary amendment in which the Applicants acknowledge funding.

If, for any reason, the Examiner believes that a telephone conversation with the Applicants' representative would expedite prosecution, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at 617-720-3500.

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